Vaccine Analogy

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Essentially what is happening with the vaccine situation is this: Imagine living in a gated community and in that gated community, there are a number of fortresses that house soldiers who protect the inside of the fortress. The number of soldiers in each fortress varies. Right outside of each fortress are guardians who protect the fortress against enemies from the outside. These also vary. For about a year, there was intense fighting against an enemy who breached the gates of the community and attacked the fortresses within. Many of the enemies were killed by the outer guardians of a number of fortresses, while some were able to overpower the outer guardians and make it into the fortress. In some cases the enemy was able to defeat the soldiers inside some of the fortresses and in other cases were defeated by the soldiers inside the fortresses. Now imagine after a year of fighting, a decree is made that each fortress is to reduce the number of outer guardians by bringing some of them inside the fortress to join the soldiers there. The strategy is to maximize the defense capability inside the fortress by reducing the defense capability outside the fortress. The vast majority of fortresses do not comply. The enemy returns and enters the community. Many of the fortresses that did not reduce the number of outer guardians are still able to fend off enemy attack and keep the enemy from getting inside. Other enemy combatants that went after the fortresses that did reduce the number of outer guardians are able to overcome outer resistance and press forward into the fortress where they are overwhelmed by the increased number of soldiers inside the fortress. Noticing the lack of initial resistance at these fortresses, enemy reinforcements began to notice how quickly their own combatants are being destroyed once inside these less outwardly guarded fortresses. So the enemy camps outside

these less guarded fortresses and comes up with a way to outsmart and overpower the inside resistance. This new knowledge spreads to the entire enemy force. And now with this new capability and knowledge, the enemy is finding it even easier to attack the other fortresses that did not increase the number of soldiers inside the fortress. While the less outwardly guarded, more inwardly guarded fortresses continue to fend off the enemy invaders, the fortresses that did not alter their personnel allocation are falling more quickly into the hands of the enemy. Many of these fortresses decide to comply with the decree by having outer guardians moved to the inside of the fortress with the soldiers. As a result, the enemy is now able to camp outside of all the fortresses with little outwardly resistance and study the inside soldiers, leaving every fortress having to increase the number of soldiers inside by bringing more outer guardians inside to join the soldiers. While the fortresses remain protected on the inside, the enemy remains camped on the outside studying its every move and looking for ways to disguise itself and trick the soldiers inside. Those soldiers inside are left having to rely on messengers that are able to see through the enemies' disguises.